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## TOPICS TOUCHING SCRANTON & SUBURBS.

### VITAL STATISTICS--Y.P.B. MEET- ING--CLASSY AMATEUR MIN- STRELS--SCHOTL NOTES.

Scranton, March 23:—Her many friends will be glad to know that Mrs R E McKnight is improving, after a serious illness.

Mr John G Singletary has gone to Conway, where he has accepted a position with a drug firm.

Cotton buyers and farmers are letting their cotton slip at the 8c mark.

The Scranton girls' basket-ball team played the Green Springs girls on the latter's court Friday. Score: Scranton 16; Green Springs 12.

Messrs J M Parker and D L Lee have each purchased a Ford auto through the local agent.

The local Young People's Branch of W C T U met Sunday afternoon, when Mrs R B Cannon made an interesting report of the annual convention of the W C T U held at Lake City recently. A feature of the meeting Sunday was the voting of \$10.00 to be used in the county prohibition campaign this summer.

Several young men from Lake City were in town Sunday afternoon. Some attraction? It is even thought they were "dear" hunting.

Rev J B Prosser filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday night. After the service a teachers' training class was organized, a similar class having been organized at the Baptist church.

Mr D L Lee is having his dwelling repainted, which will add greatly to its appearance.

According to the figures of the local registrar of vital statistics, Dr C H Pate, for Lee and Lake townships, there were in January, 7 births and 7 deaths; in February, 10 births and 4 deaths.

A minstrel company of 15—9 boys and 6 girls—local talent, presented a black face performance at the school house last Friday night to a delighted audience, judging by the enthusiastic applause accorded the players. The curtain went up on a regular minstrel stage setting: endmen in exaggerated costumes, interlocutor in "Prince Albert" suit, and chorus men in ludicrous costumes. There was no dragging. From the rise of the curtain until the drop not a dull minute entered. The songs were encoored, but before the applause had died away, "Bones" or "Tambie" would be starting a discussion or firing a question at the middle-man, and while the audience was still rocking laughter a song would be announced. "Sis Mirandy" and her "dusky damsels" in "Romantic Love Making," were greeted with hearty applause. Yes, the boys were "right there with the bells." Everyone was well pleased and many complimentary remarks have been heard regarding the performance. It was such a scream that the company will present the performance at other places.

Scranton Literary society met Friday, March 17, and rendered the following programme:

Debate: Resolved, That the United

States Should Intervene in the Mexican War.

Affirmative—Fred Parrott, Janie Wall.

Negative—Dessie Graham, Annie Lee.

Essay—Larue Hinson.

Piano Duet—Ruth Willoughby and Cecil Matthews.

Essay—Mary Olive Lynch.

Recitation—Nelson Cannon.

Reading—Marie Matthews.

Extemporaneous Debate: Resolved, That Farmers Should Plant One-third of Their Crops in Cotton.

Affirmative—LeRoy Hinson, Olive Mae Spring.

Negative—Cortez Miles, Jessie Cook.

Vocal Solo—Mabel Lee.

Current Events—Olive Mae Spring.

Misses Rosa Wall, Belle Fountain and Mr Bryan Kirby, judges of the debate, decided in favor of the affirmative. It being the time for the election of officers, the following were chosen to serve the ensuing term:

Mr Dessie Graham, president;

Miss Olive Mae Spring, vice president.

Miss Janie Wall, secretary.

Mr Bryan Kirby, critic.

Miss Rosa Wall, reporter.

Mr Fred Parrott, treasurer.

There being no further business, the society adjourned to meet Friday, March 26, 1915. I M G.

### Chat from Carlisle.

Carlisle, March 21:—Most of the folk in this section are moving along nicely with their farm work. They are looking forward to another successful crop year.

We are very sorry to hear that Mrs J L Nexsen is added to the sick list this week.

Several of the young folk of this community attended a "social" at White Oak Friday night. All report a very pleasant time.

Miss Grace Fulmore, the assistant teacher at Carlisle, spent Sunday at her home near Cades.

Mr and Mrs Walter Joye, accompanied by the latter's sister, Miss Lucile Nexsen, enjoyed a very pleasant trip to the Mouzon section Sunday afternoon.

Messrs Ruth Carraway, Arcie Smith, J L Nexsen, J W Patrick and W J Smiley went to the county seat on business Monday.

BROWN EYES.

### Arranging a Duel.

Two Irishmen arranged to fight a duel with pistols. One of them was distinctly stout, and when he saw his lean adversary facing him he raised an objection.

"Bedad!" he said, "I'm twice as big a target as he is, so I ought to stand twice as far away from him as he is from me."

"Be aisy now," replied his second, "I'll soon put that right."

Taking a piece of chalk from his pocket he drew lines down the stout man's coat, leaving a space between them.

"Now," he said, turning to the other man, "fire away, ye spalpeen, and remember that any hits outside that chalk line don't count."

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### RECORD COTTON CROP.

#### Final Ginner's Report Shows Total Yield 16,102,143 for 1914.

Washington, March 20:—The greatest cotton crop ever produced in the United States was grown in 1914.

Census bureau statistics, issued today, giving final ginning figures, officially place the 1914 crop as a record, with 16,102,143 bales of 500 pounds each. That is 409,442 equivalent 500-pound bales, or 204,721,000 pounds more than produced in the great crop of 1911.

In addition to the great production of lint cotton a record quantity of linter cotton, which is extensively used in the manufacture of military explosives, was obtained. This cotton, delinted from the seeds at oil mills, amounted to 395,732,000 pounds and brought the total 1914 crop to 16,893,604 equivalent 500-pound bales, or 8,446,803,500 pounds.

While the crop was a record one, the only States to make new records in production were Alabama, Louisiana and Oklahoma. The other cotton States all came close to their records.

For South Carolina the official figures give 1,524,595 bales for 1914, compared with 1,648,712 for 1911 and 1,377,814 for 1913, the years heretofore credited with the biggest yields for this State.

### From the Old North State.

Tunis, N C, March 22:—Capt W F Durfey died here March 15, 1915, aged 90 years. He leaves four children, two at Tunis, one at Norfolk, Va, one at Andrews, S C, and many friends bereaved by his death.

We are having some very cold weather up here. Had a big snow yesterday.

Farmers around here do not know what to plant this year. They say they are not going to plant much cotton. Many of them will plant more peanuts than they did last year. We are confidently looking for a big price for peanuts next fall. The Farmers' union is putting up a peanut factory at Tunis. We can make more on this crop at 3½ cents a pound than on cotton at 10 cents a pound. I hope all the farmers will get something for what they raise this year.

Mr C A Jones and Dr J A Powell made a pleasant trip to Washington, D C, last week.

Wanted—Several good beef cattle at once. Call on or write to H A MILLER, Prop People's Market, Kingstree, S C. 3-25-2t

### BARNWELL COUNTY "DRY".

#### Governor Manning Closes Its Dispensaries Indefinitely.

Columbia, March 19:—All the dispensaries in Barnwell county were closed this afternoon by order of Governor Manning and will remain closed indefinitely. This order was issued in a letter sent to each dispenser in the county and was made public here tonight. The letter follows:

"Under authority of Section 856, Criminal Code of 1912, you are hereby, immediately on receipt of this order, required to close the dispensary at—, Barnwell county, and to keep said dispensary closed until further orders from me."

The letter was addressed to the following dispensers: B A Best, at Ulmer; C D McClendon, at Fairfax; W P Walsh, at Williston; D E Rice, at Allendale; R M Wise, at Blackville; M C Lee, at Kline; F M Cave, at Barnwell; S J Hutto, at Elko; F H Gault, at Baldock, and E G Bolen, at Dunbarton.

Information was received today that the Barnwell county grand jury had been authorized by the court to employ an expert accountant to examine the books of the Barnwell county dispensary board which was recently removed from office by the Governor. This audit will cover the dispensary from the time it was inaugurated until the present date. W I Johns of Baldock is foreman of the grand jury.

### Dispensary Sales in February.

The dispensaries in 14 counties of the State sold \$233,864.87 worth of liquor during February, according to a statement issued Thursday by Mose H Mobley, State dispensary auditor. The operating expenses amounted to \$17,047.20.

Following are the sales by counties:

Aiken	\$15,995.50
Bamberg	8,370.44
Barnwell	19,370.95
Beaufort	8,484.05
Calhoun	4,225.45
Charleston	34,111.61
Dorchester	6,263.60
Florence	33,197.69
Georgetown	10,023.03
Jasper	1,469.55
Lexington	10,819.14
Orangeburg	20,402.61
Richland	46,272.08
Williamsburg	4,384.68
Total	\$233,864.87

Bicycles can now be equipped with electric lamps. A small battery supplies the necessary current.

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